

11/25/69

Dear Bud,

In writing you in haste yesterday in order to send you what I had just obtained, having forced it out of the Secret Service, there is a perhaps meaningful observation I neglected to make.

Those documents were not copied on the regular archives machines. Two of them were regular xeroxes, the receipt for the missile and the 11/26 memo. I am uncertain about the Clark letter and see no purpose in taking the time to get the originals, because about some there is no doubt at all. They were made on a machine like yours, not a xerox, and are of neither legal nor letter size.

With this consider the 15 days between dates. The SS letter is dated 11/3, the letter to me 11/18.

I am suggesting that the Archives ran this through their legal department and got an okay there. It is not beyond possibility that the copies not made on a xerox were made there to be sent me and that there may have been an additional page or so that was not sent. The letter is no more than a possible suspicion.

However, I can recall no other one in the thousands of cases when I got a copy of anything made on such a machine and on paper of this size.

I enclose a copy of a letter to Teddy's assistant which, at the least, will eliminate any criticism of us by his people if and when he is as seriously embarrassed as the suits can embarrass him. And there is the remote possibility he will take a look. Meanwhile, + have made his position just a bit more intolerable by giving him an acceptable means of checking up on me. And if they behave as men, in a manly way, I do believe + have a formula that will save what remains of Teddy's reputation.

Sincerely,

Harold Weisberg